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channel and to the Kuppanakottai tank. There is therefore no question of inadequate supply of water to the ayacut and no question of revision of rates at this stage."

Sri P. RANGASAMI REDDIAR :—" On 22nd November 1952, I inspected the site along with the present Executive Engineer, Tiruchirappalli division. There is no anicut worth mentioning. Therefore, is there anything in the file of the Hon. Minister to show that there is anything worth mentioning in the old site where the anicut originally existed and that the accustomed quantity of supply of water is being provided to the agriculturists; if not, will the Government in consultation with the Engineers consider giving remission to these unfortunate agriculturists? "

The Hon. Sri N. RANGA REDDI :—" Sir, I already said that there is a proposal to have the anicut reconstructed at a site 1,600 feet, higher up the river, i.e., higher up the present anicut; so far as the present anicut is concerned, I said that it is a korambu anicut and it is being constructed periodically. It is very likely that when the hon. Member visited the place, it has not been in existence."

Sri P. B. K. RAJA CHIDAMBARAM :—" May I know, Sir, whether it is the inefficiency of the Public Works Department or want of finance that has prevented the Government from reconstructing this small anicut which costs less than Rs. 25,000, during all these six years? "

The Hon. Sri N. RANGA REDDI :—" It is neither inefficiency of the Public Works Department nor want of funds."

Sri V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR :—" Sir, the point of Sri P. Rangasami Reddiar still remains to be answered. In view of the fact that today no anicut worth mentioning is there, will the Government consider giving remission of kist? "

The Hon. Sri N. RANGA REDDI :—" I may submit, Sir, I have already answered the question in very clear terms. A korambu anicut is being constructed periodically and there has been no diminution of supply of water to the ayacut. Therefore there is no question of remission of kist."

Sri P. RAMAMURTHI :—" Sir, the Hon. Minister said that it is neither the inefficiency of the Public Works Department nor the want of funds. May I know whether it was due to the inefficiency of the Government that so much delay had been caused? "

The Hon. Sri N. RANGA REDDI :—" It is the opposition of people like Mr. Ramamurthi."

Amount of salaries of Government servants.

* 288 *Q.*—Sri PILLALAMARRI VENKATESWARLU: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) the total amount spent as salaries of officers drawing Rs. 1,000 and above and as dearness allowance to these officers;

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(b) the amount spent as salaries to Non-Gazetted Officers and their dearness allowance; and

(c) the amount similarly spent for the peons?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (a) The total amount spent on salaries of officers on Rs. 1,000 and above is Rs. 42·99 lakhs per annum. The total amount spent on their dearness allowance is Rs. 1·92 lakhs per annum.

" (b) The expenditure on salaries of non-gazetted officers excluding peons and village establishments is Rs. 981·42 lakhs per annum. The amount spent on their dearness allowance is Rs. 431·25 lakhs. The expenditure on salaries and dearness allowance of village establishments amounts to Rs. 171·83 lakhs per annum and Rs. 67·41 lakhs per annum respectively.

" (c) The amount spent on salaries of peons is Rs. 68·96 lakhs. The amount spent on their dearness allowance is Rs. 58·97 lakhs."

SRI PILLALAMARRI VENKATESWARLU :—" ఈ రాష్ట్రంలోని N.G.O. లకు Central Pay Commission వారి report ప్రకారం జీతాలివ్వాలంటే ఇంకా ఎంత ఎక్కువ ఖర్చు పెట్టవలసిన అవసరం ఉంటుంది."

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" I want notice, Sir."

Peons of the Revenue department of the former Pudukkottai State.

* 289 Q.—SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) the number of peons of the Revenue department of the former Pudukkottai State found to be surplus after merger;

(b) what has been done with the surplus, if any;

(c) whether it is a fact that permanent peons declared surplus are transferred outside Pudukkottai Division without Madras scales of pay;

(d) the number of such permanent peons declared surplus and transferred out of Pudukottai;

(e) whether it is a fact that the places of these permanent peons are filled by temporary hands on Madras scales of pay; and

(f) if so, how many, and the reasons for such anomalous arrangement?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" (a), (b), (c) & (d) Out of 123 permanent peons who had to be absorbed in the Revenue Department consequent on the merger of Pudukottai State only 66 are required for the newly formed Pudukottai division to fill up the permanent posts in the Sub-Collector's Office, Taluk offices and Stationary Sub-Magistrate's Office. The remaining 57 peons have been found surplus to requirements of the